

Springerville Town Council
Minutes
June 3, 2009
6:00 p.m.

Present: Mary Nedrow Mayor, Bill Lucas, Ron Thebeau

Absent: Eric Baca, Phelps Wilkins, excused.

Staff: Steve West Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Eduardo Coronado Legal Counsel
Tom Malone and Sharon Pinckard.

Public: Kevin Burk, Robert Mackenzie, Ron Cavanaugh and Susan Silva and Jennifer Prochnow.

1. Mayor Nedrow called the meeting to order with a quorum present.

2. Sharon Pinckard was asked to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Participation: None

4. Manager, Council, and Chamber Reports:

Town Manager West reported we're in the budget process and will get a draft to the Council the first or second week in July or sooner. Construction is going on at the airport. They are in the process of getting the walls up. The floors are poured and the iron is up. They just need to put skin up, the doors on and pave. Mr. West reported that the Town has applied for stimulus money from FAA for the rehab and repairs on runway 3/21. He reminded the council that this is the probably longest runway in the State for our altitude. There aren't any major issues out. They are looking at different projects for the budget and have a good idea of where they are going with them. There's also a resolution on the agenda for tonight for the Rural Arizona Group Health Trust that he'll discuss when it comes up.

Councilman Lucas reported on his part of the Round Valley Roundup noting that he received positive feedback on the events he helped with.

Mayor Nedrow reported that with this being the first event that both Town's sponsored together and they received positive feedback on them working together. It was a very positive event they did for the Town's people and hope to do it again next year.

Community Services Director Sharon Pinckard was asked to come forward to be presented with a 15 year Service Pin Award. She was recognized as an asset to the Town and for her outstanding service in her determination to provide services for our seniors and others

5. Consent Agenda:

a. Consider approval of the May 20, 09 regular town council meeting minutes.

Bill Lucas/Ron Thebeau motion to approve consent agenda item 5a.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Bill Lucas
		Ron Thebeau

6. Old Business: None

7. Resolution 2009-R005: Discussion and action regarding adopting Resolution 2009-R005 accepting membership in the Rural Arizona Group Health Trust.

Mr. West explained that the Town has the opportunity to join in this group health trust. This is a big pool that provides benefits. This insurance is as good as or better than what we have now. It will be a reduction on the budget of \$120,000 plus or minus.

Ron Thebeau/Bill Lucas motion to pass resolution 2009-R005.

Councilman Thebeau asked if this insurance is as good a quality as the current insurance due to the large savings.

Mr. West explained that in several ways it is better especially in dental, co pays are the same and it allows employees to purchase mail order supplies locally. He explained that this insurance company doesn't take on high risk medical conditions and due to changing medical anomalies weeding themselves out they have allowed us to come in. They have guaranteed us an automatic 3 year renewal. There is a cost sharing in everything they do. The chances of the Town ever having to pay more than what the premiums are is pretty minimal.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Bill Lucas
		Ron Thebeau

Mayor Nedrow asked if we could go back to the Chamber Report from the Director.

Ms. Prochnow reported on the monthly activities of the Chamber noting that the visitor count is up and they are working on a new business directory. She reported they are working on the Run with the Wolf Motor Cycle Rally that will be on June 19th and 20th. She said she is working on the 4th of July parade and is trying to give more exposure to the fireworks. She also reported that the Memorial Day Carnival won't be coming this year. The Chamber was asked to help them find a new place this year but weren't able to. Safeway has advised them that they can't use their parking lot anymore and they need to find a new place.

8. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Grant (Stimulus Funds): Discussion and action regarding authorizing the Town Manager Steve West to approve and sign the necessary documents for the bid awards for the Springerville Municipal Airport associated with Runway 3/21 and Runway 21 End Runway Safety Area.

Mr. West explained that he's requesting this special authorization due to the fact that this stimulus is moving fast and would require special meeting for each of these three things for approval. He asked for authority to sign each of these on behalf of the Town Council. He explained that normally it would be months between each of these and it would be easy to bring before the Council for approval.

He said this would only be for these three bid documents.

Bill Lucas/Ron Thebeau motion to authorize the Town Manager to sign and approve the necessary documents to for the bid awards for the Springerville Municipal Airport associated with Runway 3/21 repairs and Runway 21 End RSA.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Bill Lucas
		Ron Thebeau

9. Adjournment:

Bill Lucas/Ron Thebeau motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Bill Lucas

Ron Thebeau

Mary Nedrow, Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in regular session on Wednesday June 3, 2009. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and quorum was present.

Dated this 10th day of June, 2009
